## Amendment No. 1 to HB0268

## <u>Coleman</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 192

House Bill No. 268\*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. 1. Tennessee code Annotated, Section 36-3-617, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead:

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no victim shall be required to bear the costs, including any court costs, filing fees, litigation taxes or any other costs associated with the filing, issuance, registration, service, dismissal or nonsuit, appeal or enforcement of an ex parte order of protection, order of protection, or a petition for either such order, whether issued inside or outside the state. If the court, after the hearing, issues or extends an order of protection, all court costs, filing fees, litigation taxes and attorney fees shall be assessed against the respondent.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.